

**ASYNCHRONOUS UNCONSCIOUS RETRIEVAL IN A**  
**NETWORK OF INFORMATION APPLIANCES**

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**Background of the Invention**

***Cross-Reference to Related Applications***

[0001] The present application claims priority from provisional U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/322,518 for "Asynchronous Unconscious Retrieval in a Network of Information Appliances," filed September 14, 2001, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

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***Field of the Invention***

[0002] The present invention is related to automated information retrieval, and more particularly to systems, methods, and computer program products for asynchronously retrieving relevant information from a number of sources and presenting the retrieved information to an end user in a manner that avoids the need for conscious effort by the end user.

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